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FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM VELIOTES

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SUBJECT: SPECIFIC GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADOR:
EGYPT

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1. APPRECIATE YOUR HELPFUL COMMENTS REFTEL B. BELIEVE RE-DRAFT BELOW RESOLVES QUESTIONS YOU HAVE RAISED. WE DO BELIEVE THAT CERTAIN POINTS YOU PROPOSED FOR DELETION SHOULD BE RETAINED SINCE THIS STATEMENT IS MEANT TO COVER A PERIOD OF AT LEAST ONE YEAR AND SOME ACTION ON THESE ISSUES WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY ARISE AND HAVE TO BE DEALT WITH DURING THAT PERIOD. HENCE, SOME OF THE "GOALS AND OBJECTIVES" ARE CONDITIONAL AND DO NOT REQUIRE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.

2. MILITARY ISSUE REMAINS AN IMPORTANT ONE; HOWEVER, WE HAVE REVISED STATEMENT IN ORDER TO REFLECT THAT BASIC
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DECISIONS ARE WASHINGTON RATHER THAN FIELD RESPONSIBILITIES. ENERGY SECTION HAS BEEN COMPLETELY REVISED. WE BELIEVE NEW WORDING RE NUCLEAR COOPERATION IS SUFFICIENTLY BROAD TO COVER YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES ONCE POLICY DECISION HAS BEEN MADE IN WASHINGTON. HAVE RETAINED GULF OF SUEZ ISSUE, BUT TEXT NOW REFLECTS FACT THAT NO IMMEDIATE ACTION CONTEMPLATED.

3. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES SHOULD BE PERCEIVED AS DYNAMIC GUIDELINES, SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND REVISION AS MAY SEEM DESIRABLE OVER THE COURSE OF TIME.

4. REVISED TEXT FOLLOWS:

A. TO SUPPORT OUR EFFORTS TO KEEP GOE ACTIVELY AND POSITIVELY ENGAGED IN THE SEARCH FOR A SETTLEMENT OF THE ARAB-ISRAELI DISPUTE:

--CONTINUE THE FRANK DIALOGUE WITH EGYPTIAN LEADERS ON U.S. VIEWS AND PROGRESS IN NEGOTIATIONS AIMED AT A SETTLEMENT.

--SOLICIT EGYPTIAN VIEWS AND INITIATIVES IN SEEKING TO OVERCOME OBSTACLES.

--STRESS THE NEED FOR EGYPT SCRUPULOUSLY TO OBSERVE SINAI II ACCORDS; IF AND AS NECESSARY, SEEK EGYPTIAN AGREEMENT TO EXTEND UNEF PRESENCE BEYOND OCTOBER 1978.

--CONTINUE TO DISCOURAGE TENDENCIES WITHIN THE GOE TO REGARD U.S. AS A POTENTIAL MAJOR MILITARY SUPPLIER.

B. TO WORK WITH THE GOE ON ENERGY DEVELOPMENT:

--ENCOURAGE GOE SUPPORT FOR U.S. POLICY IN THE FIELD OF
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NUCLEAR NONPROLIFERATION.

--WORK WITH GOE TOWARDS ACCEPTABLE NUCLEAR COOPERATION AGREEMENT BASED ON PROSPECTIVE U.S. LEGISLATION REQUIREMENTS.

--AS ISSUE ARISES, PURSUE AN ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION TO EGYPTIAN/ISRAELI DIFFERENCES RE PETROLEUM EXPLORATION/EXPLOITATION IN THE GULF OF SUEZ AND SINAI.

C. TO SUPPORT/FOSTER GOE EFFORTS TO ALLEVIATE THEIR ECONOMIC PROBLEMS:

--ENCOURAGE GOE TO UNDERTAKE NEEDED ECONOMIC REFORM MEASURES WITH DUE REGARD TO THE POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS INVOLVED.

--WORK FOR PROPER MIX BETWEEN CIP AND PROJECT ASSISTANCE IN USG AID PROGRAMS.

--COORDINATE EMBASSY INPUT INTO HUMPHREY AMENDMENT STUDY AND DIRECT PERTINENT DISCUSSIONS WITH GOE OFFICIALS. WORK

TO SHAPE AID PROGRAMS ACCORDING TO RESULTS.

--TRY TO RESOLVE DELAYS IN IMPLEMENTING AND DISBURSING FUNDS FOR AID PROJECTS.

--SEEK FAVORABLE ACTION ON REMOVING U.S. FIRMS FROM THE ARAB BOYCOTT LIST.

--FOSTER U.S. PRIVATE INVESTMENT IN EGYPT, ESPECIALLY IN NON-EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR AND IN AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT.

--VIGOROUSLY PURSUE PROGRAMS AIMED AT STRENGTHENING THE U.S. POSITION IN THE EGYPTIAN MARKET.
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D. TO ENCOURAGE ACTIVE AND RESPONSIBLE EGYPTIAN POLICY ROLE IN "THIRD WORLD" SCENARIOS:

--CONTINUE OUR CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH SADAT ON AFRICAN DEVELOPMENTS.

--AS APPROPRIATE, SHARE INTELLIGENCE AND ASSESSMENT OF SOVIET MOVES AND OBJECTIVES IN AFRICA AND THE MEDITERRANEAN.

--TRY TO ACHIEVE COOPERATION AND/OR MODERATION OF EGYPTIAN POSITIONS IN INTERNATIONAL FORA, ESPECIALLY IN THE UN AND SPECIALIZED AGENCIES THEREOF. VANCE

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